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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: US-UK CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS - CANADIAN
CONNECTION

REF: OTTAWA 4431

1. ON JUNE 1 TCO HAD OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW US-UK
SITUATION WITH INGRID HALL (TRANSPORT DESK OFFICER IN
EXTAFF), WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM LONDON AND WHO HAD
REPORT OF OUR LAST WEEK'S CONVERSATION WITH MOT (YANG
AND BURWASH).

2. HALL EMPHASIZED (AS DID MOT OFFICIALS) THAT CANADA
WOULD STAY STRICTLY NEUTRAL IN US-UK DISPUTE AND WOULD
HANDLE BOTH ANTAGONISTS EVENLY WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF
EXISTING BILATERAL AGREEMENTS. STRESSED THAT BRITISH
HAD BEEN CLEARLY TOLD NO TEMPORARY RIGHTS FOR NEW POINTS
WOULD BE GRANTED AND SAID THAT THIS DECISION ALSO APPLIED
TO AIR CANADA. LIKEWISE, GOC WOULD NOT SEEK AMENDMENT
TO UK BILATERAL TO PERMIT AIR CANADA TO SERVE ADDITIONAL
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POINTS. IN THIS CONTEXT HALL COMMENTED THAT SHE WAS WELL
AWARE OF U.S. EFFORTS TO INVOLVE FRANCE IN US-UK DISPUTE
BY SEEKING TEMPORARY RIGHTS AT PARIS FOR NATIONAL AIRLINES
IN THE EVENT IT COULD NOT OPERATE TO LONDON AFTER
JUNE 21.

3. IN CONCLUSION, HALL STRESSED THAT GOC DOES NOT WANT TO

SEE ITS AIRPORTS (ESPECIALLY TORONTO AND MONTREAL/DORVAL)
CLOGGED AND TRANSBORDER AIR SERVICES IMPEDED AS RESULT OF
INCREASED UK-US TRAFFIC AND WILL REFRAIN - WITHIN THE
CONTEXT OF ITS BILATERALS - FROM ANY ACTION WHICH WOULD
PRODUCE THAT RESULT.

4. COMMENT: OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH BOTH MOT AND EXTAF
WERE ENCOURAGING IN THAT GOC ITSELF DOES NOT APPEAR TO WANT
TO EXPLOIT SITUATION FOR COMMERCIAL ADVANTAGE. WHETHER
AIR CANADA DOES AND CAN DO SO EFFECTIVELY REMAINS TO BE
SEEN. AGAIN WE SUGGEST CONTINUED CONSULTATIONS WITH THE
U.S. CARRIERS WHO ARE PROBABLY IN A BETTER POSITION TO
MONITOR AIR CANADA BEHAVIOR. ENDERS

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